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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINS, AR

SUBJ: NATIONAL DEPUTY ASSASSINATED

1. RODOLFO ORTEGA PENA BECAME THE LATEST VICTIM OF POLITICALLY MOTIVATED MURDER ON JULY 31 WHEN HE WAS KILLED BY UNKNOWN ASSASSINS IN DOWNTOWN BUENOS AIRES. OTEGA PENA AND HIS WIFE WERE GETTING OUT A TAXI AT 11 PM WHEN ANOTHER CAR PULLED UP OPENED FIRE WITH MACHINE GUNS AND SPED OFF. ORTEGA PENA WAS KILLED INSTANTLY AND HIS WIFE WAS WOUNDED.

2. ORTEGA PENA BECAME A NATIONAL DEPUTY IN MARCH WHEN HE REPLACED ONE OF THE EIGHT PERONIST YOUTH DEPUTIES WHO RESIGNED AFTER REFUSING TO VOTE FOR THE REFORM OF THE PENAL CODE. HIMSELF A LEFTIST, ORTEGA PENA DID NOT JOIN THE FREJULI BLOC, BUT INSTEAD FORMED A ONE MAN BLOC OF HIS OWN. HE WAS A FORMER EDITOR OF THE LEFT WING MAGAZINE "MILITANCIA," WHICH WAS CLOSED DOWN BY THE GOA. AS A PERONIST, ORTEGA PENA WAS IDENTIFIED WITH THE "PERNISMO DE BASE" FACTION, WHICH IS A SMALL GROUP TO THE EXTREME LEFT. THEY ARE CONSIDERED TO BE EVEN TO THE LEFT OF THE "REVOLUTIONARY TENDENCY" OF THE PERONIST YOUTH.

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3. COMMENT: THE KILLERS ARE NOT KNOWN. WITH ORTEGA PENA'S
ASSASSINATION THE FEUD BETWEEN LEFT AND RIGHT EXTREMES OF THE
PERONIST MOVEMENT APPEARS TO BE HEATING UP.
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